

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2586, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. SPRATT OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

At the end of title X (page 307, after line 20), insert
the following new section:

1 **SEC. 10____. LEASING OF NAVY SHIPS FOR UNIVERSITY NA-**
2 **TIONAL OCEANOGRAPHIC LABORATORY SYS-**
3 **TEM.**

4 Subsection (g) of section 2667 of title 10, United
5 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing new paragraph:

7 “(3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to a renewal or
8 extension of a lease by the Secretary of the Navy with
9 a selected institution for operation of a ship within the
10 University National Oceanographic Laboratory System if,
11 under the lease, each of the following applies:

12 “(A) Use of the ship is restricted to federally
13 supported research programs and to non-Federal
14 uses under specific conditions with approval by the
15 Secretary of the Navy.

16 “(B) Because of the anticipated value to the
17 Navy of the oceanographic research and training
18 that will result from the ship’s operation, no mone-
19 tary lease payments are required from the lessee



1 under the initial lease or under any renewal or ex-
2 tension.

3 “(C) The lessee is required to maintain the ship
4 in a good state of repair, readiness, and efficient op-
5 erating condition, conform to all applicable regu-
6 latory requirements, and assume full responsibility
7 for the safety of the ship, its crew, and scientific
8 personnel aboard.”.

